

SENATE BILL 2208

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 8 and Title 56, relative to health insurance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2301(c), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(c) If payment of a specific premium or subscription fee is required to provide coverage for a child, the policy or contract may require that notification of birth of a newly born child and payment of the required premium or fees must be furnished to the insurer or nonprofit service or indemnity corporation within thirty-one (31) days after the date of birth in order to have the coverage continue beyond such thirty-one day period. Any policy or contract that requires such notification and payment, however, shall also provide for a grace period of thirty (30) days in addition to the original thirty-one (31) days for notification and payment should a parent of the new born child or the child himself or herself encounter a major health problem during the initial thirty-one day period,

SECTION 2. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.